

**TOWN OF BARRINGTON
EASEMENT MONITORING INSPECTION REPORT**

Easement Name: XXXXXXXXXXXX Farm

Date of Inspection: October 16, 2011

Location: 71 XXXXXXXXXXXX Rd.

Current Owner: XXXXXXXXXXXX
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Method of Inspection: Ground X Aerial

List all persons attending the inspection:

Owner XXXXXXXXXXXX, XXXXXXXXXXXX, XXXXXXXXXXXX

Landowner Contact Prior to Inspection: No Yes X

Description of Current Land Use:

Mix of farmland (Raspberries, Strawberries, Christmas trees, vegetables), and working forest.

List man-made alterations since the previous monitoring. (For example, construction, dredging, filling, trails, timber harvest, clearing new fields, etc.) Describe activity or alteration; noting extent, location, purpose, individual responsible (if known). Attach maps, photos, and illustrations as necessary.

A few acres of woodland have been cleared as part of the NRCS Wildlife Habitat Improvement Program (WHIP), to provide early successional habitat for a variety of species. There is also a logging operation ongoing that is removing a lot of old hemlocks.

List natural alterations (flooding, fire, insect infestation, etc.) since the previous monitoring. Note location and nature of changes. Attach maps, photos, and illustrations as necessary.

Nothing noted.

To the best of your knowledge and observation, is there compliance with all restrictions specified in the conservation easement? Please describe.

Yes.

Other observations/comments.

On a lovely autumn morning that turned rather warm before we were done, we gathered at the farmhouse. Owner XXXXXXXXXXXX said he was unaware of any problems on the easement, and about about receiving an NRCS WHIP grant and the ongoing logging. The logging operation, following a forest management plan, is largely removing hemlock, for which there is a market for the first time in many years. The skid roads associated with the logging operation are also being used to access a couple of adjoining properties, which are also being logged, mostly for forest improvement. Randy also explained that the farm is up for sale.

We walked down the driveway and made a right onto Two Mile Rd., which marks the southwestern boundary of the property. After finding the drill hole that marks the southern corner (marked as GPS point 1 on the map), we turned right, but could not really go along the usual trail, as debris from the logging operation blocked the usual path. We made our way to the edge of the area that was cleared for wildlife habitat last year, and it appears to be forming the sort of early successional habitat that is called for (point 2, photo XXXXXXXXXXXX-1).

We continued along the northwest boundary, noting the effects of the logging. Photo XXXXXXXXXXXX-2 (point 3) shows one of the skid rows. Randy explained that much of the small debris will actually be removed by the logger at the end of the operation and made into chips for the power plant in Portsmouth.

Near the iron rod marking the corner of the 'dent' into the property (point 4), I took a photo of a wetland crossing made by the loggers (photo XXXXXXXXXXXX-3). There appears to be more than sufficient logs, woody debris, etc. to prevent any siltation/erosion in the area from crossing vehicles.

After making our way to the large granite bound at the northern corner of the property (point 5), we followed the boundary for a while, noting a couple of iron pipes on the way. When we hit a large wetland we went back and followed a road to the pile of stones that marks the eastern corner of the property, which we garnished with some red paint. We then returned to the farmhouse via woods roads.

Although the logging operation degrades the beauty of some of the property at present, it is perfectly consistent with the terms of the conservation easement. The land continues to be a gem for the town, which will be holding a public hike on it next month.

NAME OF MONITOR **XXXXXXXXXXXX**

SIGNATURE _____

PHONE 664-5974

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE ATTACHED TO THIS REPORT:

_____Aerial photos	_____Ground photos
___1___Maps	_____Illustrations 1 GPS table

Don't forget to: 1) send a copy of the report to the owner; 2) send a copy of the report to LCIP (email Steve.Walker@nh.gov; web site is: <http://www.nh.gov/oep/programs/CLSP/>); 3) file a copy of the report in the permanent files in the selectmen's office; 4) file a copy of the report in the appropriate easement file in the land use office; and 5) place a copy of the report with the field map in the monitoring notebook, so it can easily be referred to next year.



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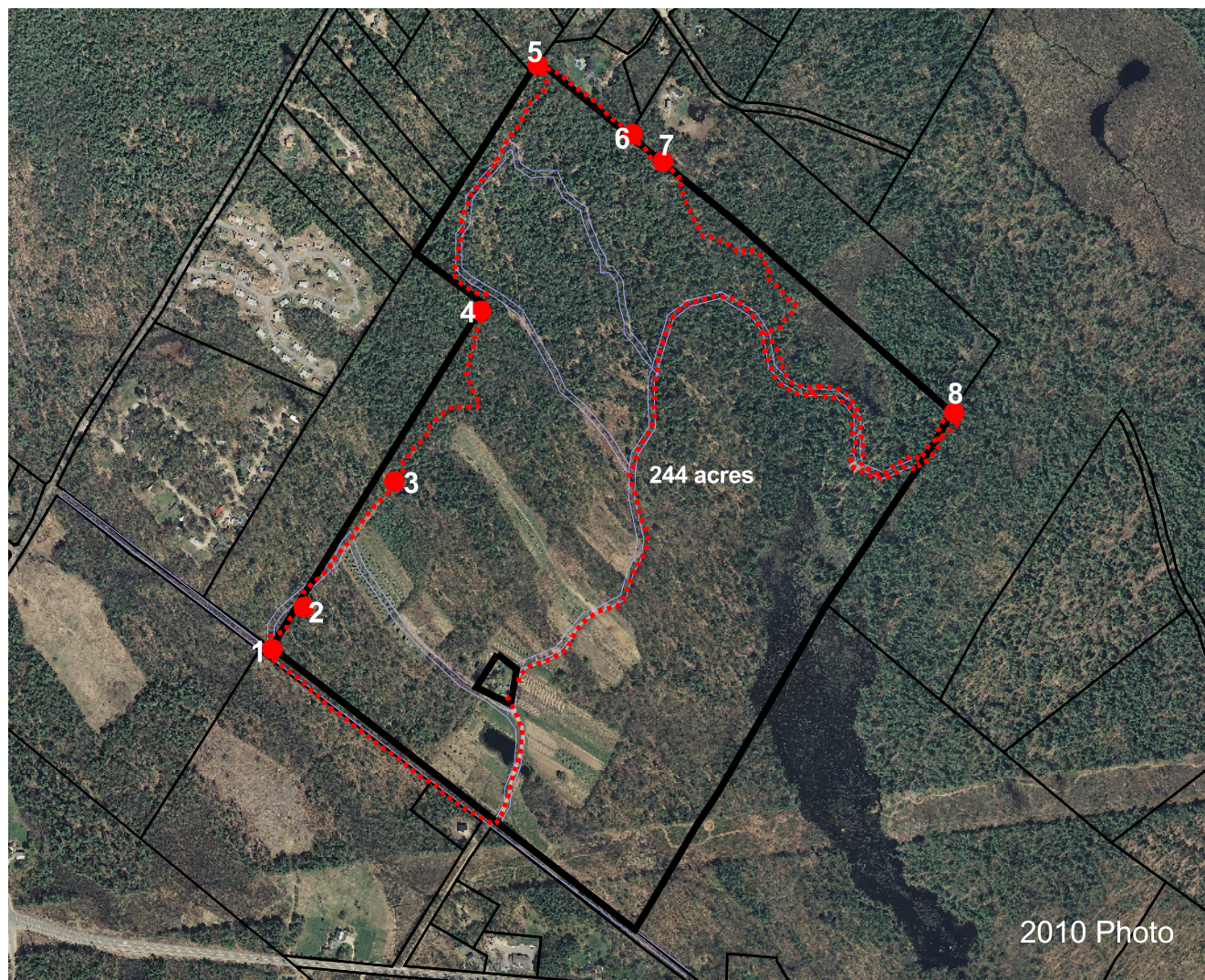








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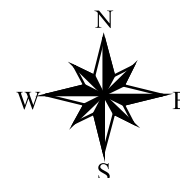


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-  GPS Points 11
-  GPS Track 11
-  XXXXXX
-  House Area
-  Major Trails
-  Tax Map



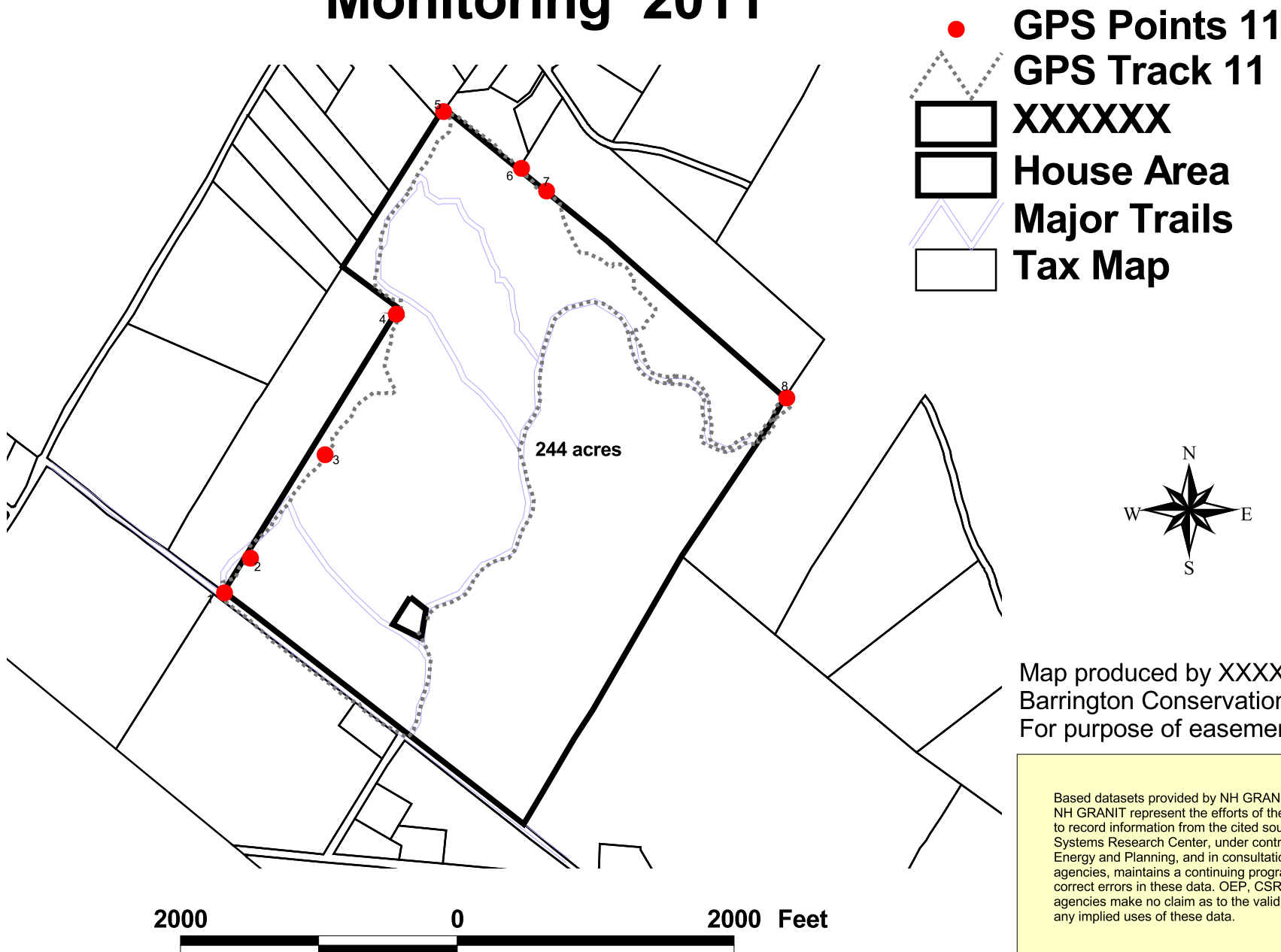
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For purpose of easement monitoring

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IDENT	COMMENTS	LAT	LONG	DATE/TIME	ALTITUDE	MODEL
1	DH	43.15883542	-71.05192912	16-OCT-11 8:18:14AM	333.00	GPSMap60CX
2	Photo 1	43.15951947	-71.05121833	16-OCT-11 8:22:40AM	358.00	GPSMap60CX
3	Photo 2	43.16156600	-71.04917742	16-OCT-11 8:31:35AM	348.00	GPSMap60CX
4	IR, Photo 3	43.16433739	-71.04722301	16-OCT-11 8:41:46AM	377.00	GPSMap60CX
5	GB	43.16834436	-71.04589876	16-OCT-11 8:54:23AM	343.00	GPSMap60CX
6	IP	43.16720593	-71.04379985	16-OCT-11 9:02:15AM	329.00	GPSMap60CX
7	IP	43.16675398	-71.04313105	16-OCT-11 9:05:15AM	308.00	GPSMap60CX
8	Stone Pile	43.16262237	-71.03667464	16-OCT-11 9:32:17AM	296.00	GPSMap60CX

IR = iron rod

IP = iron pipe

DH = drill hole

CB = concrete bound

SB = stone bound

GB = granite bound

SS = steel stake

fnd = found

nf = not found

CEM = conservation easement marker

ATV = no ATVs sign

Mr. XXXX XXXXXXXXXX
71 XXXXXXXXXX Rd.
Barrington, NH 03825

October 24, 2011

Dear XXXXXXXXXX

Here's the report from this year's easement monitoring of earlier this month. As you know, everything was just fine, and it's always a treat to walk on your land. I expect many will learn more about its charms on the walk to be held there in a few weeks.

Thanks you for your help and guidance with the monitoring, and with the upcoming walk. We will sorely miss your knowledge and stewardship of the property when it is sold.

Sincerely,

XXXXX XXXXX

Barrington Conservation Commission

Cc: Steve Walker, State Conservation Land Stewardship Program